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Re: KAAY (AM), Little Rock, Arkansas
Facility Identification Number: 33253
Citadel Broadcasting Company
Special Temporary Authority

Dear Counsel:

This is in reference to the request filed March 21, 2007, on behalf of Citadel Broadcasting Company ("Citadel"). Citadel requests special temporary authority ("STA") to operate Station KAAY during nighttime hours with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits.¹

In support of the request, Citadel states that the instant request seeks to replace a previous STA which was inadvertently allowed to expire. Citadel states that it has completed detuning of reradiating structures at a recently constructed power substation and a nearby AM tower; however, the problem was still present following completion of the detuning work. Citadel states that it has decided to replace the station's sampling system.

Accordingly, the request for STA IS HEREBY GRANTED. Station KAAY may operate with parameters at variance from licensed values and/or reduced power while maintaining monitor points within licensed limits. It will be necessary to further reduce power or cease operation if complaints of interference are received. Citadel must notify the Commission when licensed operation is restored.² Citadel must use whatever means are necessary to protect workers and the public from exposure to radio frequency radiation in excess of the Commission's exposure guidelines. See 47 CFR § 1.1310.

This authority expires on **September 30, 2007**.

STA Advisory: Section 309(f) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, authorizes the Commission to grant STA in cases of "extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary authorizations in the public interest and when delay in the institution of the temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." However, Section 309(f) is not a means by which

¹ KAAY is licensed for operation on 1090 kHz with 50 kilowatts daytime and 50 kilowatts nighttime, employing a directional antenna during nighttime hours only (DA-N-U).

² See 47 CFR §§ 73.45(c), 73.51, 73.54, 73.61(b).

a licensee/permittee may circumvent established processing procedures which require the filing of an application, nor is it a means by which a broadcaster may enhance his facility or make operation more convenient for the broadcaster. Stations operating with less than licensed facilities under temporary authorities can be viewed as receiving the benefit of a larger protection area than that in which they are currently providing service.

Accordingly, Special Temporary Authorities by nature are to be temporary and are not intended for extended use. Licensees of stations operating under temporary authorities are reminded that timely restoration of permanent facilities is the responsibility of the licensee and should be undertaken expeditiously. Any request for extension of special temporary authorities carries an increased burden with each subsequent request.

Therefore, requests for extension of STA will be granted only where the licensee can show that one or more of the following criteria have been met:

- Restoration of licensed facilities is complete and testing is underway;
- Substantial progress has been made during the most recent STA period toward restoration of licensed operation; or
- No progress has been made during the most recent STA period for reasons clearly beyond the licensee's control, and the licensee has taken all possible steps to expeditiously resolve the problem.

Sincerely,



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